



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Fiscal Year 2017 Low or No Emission Grant Program Project Selections

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration.

ACTION: Notice of Project Selections. Low or No Emission Grants Program
Announcement of Project Selections.

SUMMARY: The US. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the selection of projects with Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 appropriations for the Low or No Emission Grants Program (Low-No Program). Federal transit law authorized \$55 million for competitive allocations in FY 2017. On April 27, 2017, FTA published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) announcing the availability of \$55 million in competitive funding under the Low-No Program. These program funds will provide financial assistance to purchase or lease low or no emission vehicles that use advanced technologies, including related equipment or facilities, for transit revenue operations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Successful applicants should contact the appropriate FTA Regional Office for information regarding applying for the funds or program-specific information. A list of Regional Offices can be found at www.fta.dot.gov. Unsuccessful applicants may contact Tara Clark, Office of Program Management at (202) 366-2623, email: Tara.Clark@dot.gov, to arrange a proposal

debriefing within 30 days of this announcement. A TDD is available at 1-800-877-8339 (TDD/FIRS).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In response to the NOFO (82 FR 19447), FTA received 128 proposals from 40 states requesting \$515 million in Federal funds. Project proposals were evaluated based on each applicant's responsiveness to the program evaluation criteria outlined in the NOFO. FTA is funding 51 projects as shown in Table 1 for a total of \$55 million, as authorized by Section 5339(c) of Title 49, United States Code.

Recipients selected for competitive funding should work with their FTA Regional Office to submit a grant application in FTA's Transit Award Management System (TrAMs) for the projects identified in the attached table to quickly obligate funds. Grant applications must only include eligible activities applied for in the original project application. Funds must be used consistent with the competitive proposal and for the eligible capital purposes established in the NOFO and described in the FTA Circular 5100.1.

In cases where the allocation amount is less than the proposer's total requested amount, recipients are required to fund the scalable project option as described the application. If the award amount does not correspond to the scalable option, for example due to a cap on the award amount, the recipient should work with the Regional Office to reduce scope or scale the project such that a complete phase or project is accomplished.

A discretionary project identification number has been assigned to each project for tracking purposes and must be used in the TrAMs application. Selected projects are eligible to incur costs under pre-award authority no earlier than the date successful

projects were first publicly announced, September 15, 2017. Pre-award authority does not guarantee that project expenses incurred prior to the award of a grant will be eligible for reimbursement, as eligibility for reimbursement is contingent upon other requirements, such as planning and environmental requirements, having been met. For more about FTA's policy on pre-award authority, please see the **FTA Fiscal Year 2017 Apportionments, Allocations, and Program Information and Interim Guidance found in 82 FR 6692 (January 19, 2017)**. Post-award reporting requirements include submission of the Federal Financial Report and Milestone Progress Reports in TrAMs as appropriate (see FTA.C.5010.1E). Recipients must comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other Federal requirements in carrying out the project supported by the FTA grant. Selected projects that include partnerships have satisfied the competitive procurement requirement through the competitive selection process. FTA emphasizes that all other recipients must follow all third-party procurement guidance as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) and described in **FTA.C.4220.1F**. Funds are available for a period of 3 years. Accordingly, funds allocated in this announcement must be obligated in a grant by **September 30, 2020**.

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TABLE 1
FY 17 LOW OR NO EMISSION PROJECT SELECTIONS

State	Recipient	Project ID	Project Description	Allocation
AK	Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities	D2017-LWNO-001	Purchase battery-electric buses, associated charging infrastructure and a back-up generator.	\$408,130
AL	Alabama A&M University	D2017-LWNO-002	Purchase battery-electric buses and a charging station.	\$1,000,000
CA	City of Fairfield	D2017-LWNO-003	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging infrastructure.	\$1,225,000
CA	City of Los Angeles, Department of Transportation	D2017-LWNO-004	Purchase battery-electric buses with a capitalized lease for the battery, and install charging stations.	\$1,225,000
CA	Napa Valley Transportation Authority	D2017-LWNO-005	Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers.	\$1,092,250
CA	Redding Area Bus Authority	D2017-LWNO-006	Purchase battery-electric buses, charging and maintenance equipment, and conduct staff training.	\$746,456
CA	Antelope Valley Transit Authority	D2017-LWNO-007	Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers.	\$705,347

CO	State of Colorado Department of Transportation	D2017-LWNO-008	Purchase battery- electric buses for three rural transit operators.	\$1,450,000
CT	Greater Bridgeport Transit Authority	D2017-LWNO-009	Purchase battery- electric buses, depot chargers, and conduct staff training.	\$1,450,000
DE	Delaware Transit Corporation	D2017-LWNO-010	Purchase battery- electric buses and on- route/depot charging equipment.	\$1,000,000
FL	City of Gainesville	D2017-LWNO-011	Purchase battery- electric buses and depot chargers.	\$1,000,000
FL	Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority	D2017-LWNO-012	Purchase battery- electric buses and on- route/depot chargers.	\$1,000,000
FL	The Jacksonville Transportation Authority	D2017-LWNO-013	Purchase battery- electric buses and chargers.	\$1,000,000
FL	County of Broward	D2017-LWNO-014	Purchase battery- electric buses and depot chargers.	\$1,000,000
FL	City of Tallahassee	D2017-LWNO-015	Purchase battery- electric buses and on- route chargers.	\$1,000,000
GA	Georgia Department of Transportation	D2017-LWNO-016	Purchase battery- electric buses and charging infrastructure.	\$1,750,000
HI	City and County of Honolulu	D2017-LWNO-017	Purchase battery- electric buses and depot chargers.	\$1,450,000

IA	Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART)	D2017-LWNO-018	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging infrastructure.	\$1,450,000
ID	Mountain Rides Transportation Authority	D2017-LWNO-019	Purchase battery-electric buses and fast charging station.	\$500,000
IL	Bloomington-Normal Public Transit System	D2017-LWNO-020	Purchase battery-electric buses and install solar panels to support charging infrastructure.	\$1,450,000
IL	Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit	D2017-LWNO-021	Purchase hydrogen fuel-cell electric articulated buses and hydrogen fueling infrastructure.	\$1,450,000
IN	Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation	D2017-LWNO-022	Upgrade electrical infrastructure at operations facility to charge electric buses.	\$1,450,000
KY	Transit Authority of Lexington (Lextran)	D2017-LWNO-023	Purchase battery-electric buses and two on-route charging stations.	\$1,000,000
LA	Capital Area Transit System	D2017-LWNO-024	Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers and on route fast charger.	\$500,000
LA	Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government	D2017-LWNO-025	Purchase electric buses and overnight charging stations.	\$500,000
MA	Massachusetts Department of Transportation	D2017-LWNO-026	Purchase battery-electric buses and an energy storage system.	\$1,200,000

MD	Montgomery County Maryland	D2017-LWNO-027	Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers.	\$1,750,000
MI	Mass Transportation Authority (Flint)	D2017-LWNO-028	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging stations.	\$500,000
MN	Metropolitan Council / Metro Transit	D2017-LWNO-029	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging equipment.	\$1,750,000
MO	Bi-State Development Agency	D2017-LWNO-030	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging equipment.	\$1,450,000
MT	Missoula Urban Transportation District	D2017-LWNO-031	Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers.	\$500,000
NC	City of Asheville	D2017-LWNO-032	Purchase battery-electric buses and chargers.	\$633,333
NE	City of Lincoln, Nebraska	D2017-LWNO-033	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging stations.	\$1,450,000
NJ	New Jersey Transit	D2017-LWNO-034	Purchase battery-electric buses, charging equipment and conduct staff training.	\$500,000
NM	City of Las Cruces	D2017-LWNO-035	Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers, and upgrade a maintenance facility.	\$1,450,000

NV	Tahoe Transportation District	D2017-LWNO-036	Purchase one battery-electric bus.	\$850,000
NY	Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority	D2017-LWNO-037	Purchase electric buses, related maintenance equipment, and a charging system.	\$1,000,000
OH	Stark Area Regional Transit Authority	D2017-LWNO-038	Purchase hydrogen fuel-cell buses.	\$1,750,000
OK	Central Oklahoma Transportation and Parking Authority	D2017-LWNO-039	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging equipment, and conduct staff training.	\$797,550
OR	Oregon Department of Transportation	D2017-LWNO-040	Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers, and conduct staff training.	\$1,450,000
PA	Port Authority of Allegheny County	D2017-LWNO-041	Purchase battery-electric buses, charging stations, and associated training.	\$500,000
SC	South Carolina Department of Transportation	D2017-LWNO-042	Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers.	\$1,450,000
SC	Greenville Transit Authority	D2017-LWNO-043	Purchase battery-electric buses and chargers.	\$1,450,000
TN	Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority	D2017-LWNO-044	Purchase battery-electric buses and conduct staff training.	\$500,000

TX	City of Lubbock/Citibus	D2017-LWNO-045	Purchase battery-electric buses and on-route/depot charging equipment.	\$1,750,000
TX	VIA Metropolitan Transit	D2017-LWNO-046	Purchase battery-electric buses, charging equipment, and conduct staff training.	\$1,750,000
UT	Utah Department of Transportation	D2017-LWNO-047	Purchase battery-electric buses and depot chargers.	\$500,000
VA	Transportation District Commission of Hampton Roads	D2017-LWNO-048	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging equipment.	\$500,000
VT	Vermont Agency of Transportation	D2017-LWNO-049	Purchase battery-electric buses.	\$480,000
WA	Kitsap County Public Transportation Benefit Area Authority	D2017-LWNO-050	Purchase battery-electric buses and charging infrastructure.	\$1,000,000
WI	City of Madison	D2017-LWNO-051	Purchase battery-electric buses, depot chargers, and conduct staff training.	\$1,278,950

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